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RESPONSE

Applicant has made amendments in compliance with rule 1.121, part II A (1) which states: The current status of all of the claims in the application, including any previously canceled, not entered or withdrawn claims, must be given in a parenthetical expression following the claim number using only one of the following seven status identifiers: (original), (currently amended), (canceled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented) and (not entered). The text of all pending claims, including withdrawn claims, must be submitted each time any claim is amended. **Canceled** and not entered claims must be indicated by only the claim number and status, without presenting the text of the claims.

CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, applicant respectfully submits that the pending application is in condition for allowance. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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